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What it is:

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What to look for:

Symptoms include abnormal behavior such as staggering, poor posture, lowered head and ears, drooling, and emaciation (poor body condition).

What to do:

Do not attempt to contact, disturb, kill or remove the animal. You should accurately document the location of the animal and immediately contact the Virginia Department of Game and Inland Fisheries at 804-367-1258 or one of the listed offices nearest you. Arrangements will be made to investigate the report.

Blacksburg: 540-961-8304

Farmville: 434-392-9645

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